

ON TOUR



Stephanie Novicky, of the VILTIS staff, who is a noted young Lithuanian pianist with quite a bit of renown to her person, is at present on a six-week tour with the Estelle Lutz production "Musical Portraits". The troupe is composed of two singers, a violinist, a dancer and Stephanie, as the pianist. They present solo and ensemble work. That troupe presents operettas in miniature. 35 cities are on the list.

During recent months Stephanie studied at the Chicago Musical College where she studied music writing, esthetics and criticism. She will also be remembered as the piano soloist at the Chicagoland Music Festival which was attended by over 95,000 people.

OUR BOYS IN THE SERVICE

PEC Carl Tornbom, a Marine from California who was stationed at Great Lakes, Ill., was graduated from the Radio School and transferred to Camp Pendleton, California. While in Chicago he made very many friends among the Lithuanians and various folk dance groups and was of help with VILTIS. Best wishes follow Carl. We know he'll be happy in his native and sunny California.

Our oversea lads, Cpl. Kenneth Tveit, from Forbes, N. Dakota, now in Alaska; PEC Paul Gaston, from Fairhope, Alabama, now in Korea; PEC Edward Kaupas, from Chicago, now in Japan, and Cpl. Wm. Welch from White Bear Lake, Minn., now in Northern Japan, are expected back in the United States about February. These four lads went overseas at the same time and from the same port of embarkation and didn't get to meet each other. Now, they are scheduled to come back the same month. All of them made very good in the service.

VACATION NOTES

Mr. Jurgis Savaitis of the DRAUGAS staff, spent his two weeks vacation during September visiting New York friends and Lithuanian organizations.

Dr. & Mrs. N. F. Schwartz, Chicagoans, toured through the great Wild Northwest, covering thousands of miles of mountainous territory including some of Canada's scenic spots. While Mr. & Mrs. Eddy Strull (she — a sister of Mrs. Schwartz) did their mountain climbing on the highest dune hill outside of Michigan City, Ind., where they had a cottage and spent the summer.

Our suave Latin Bernardo Gomez, a member of VILTIS staff, is vacationing in various Eastern states. He spent a few weeks in Rochester, N. Y., at present he is in Washington, D. C., and hopes to cover many more states before returning to Chicago.

Mr. & Mrs. Louis Denov were on a very brief visit in Chicago. They arrived from New Haven, Connecticut. Louis was a member of the Polish Festival Dancers before the Army and later a Connecticut wife took him away from their midst. He has his own home, wife, radio shop and car. He and car both working. Lou is doing Kazatzki solos too for entertainment.

Free, Fancy and Foot-loose Victor Kaupas finally settled down at East Lansing, Mich., where he is attending college, but before doing that he took a hitch-hiking trip to Mexico, California and British Columbia.

JIM GRAHAM IN FRANCE

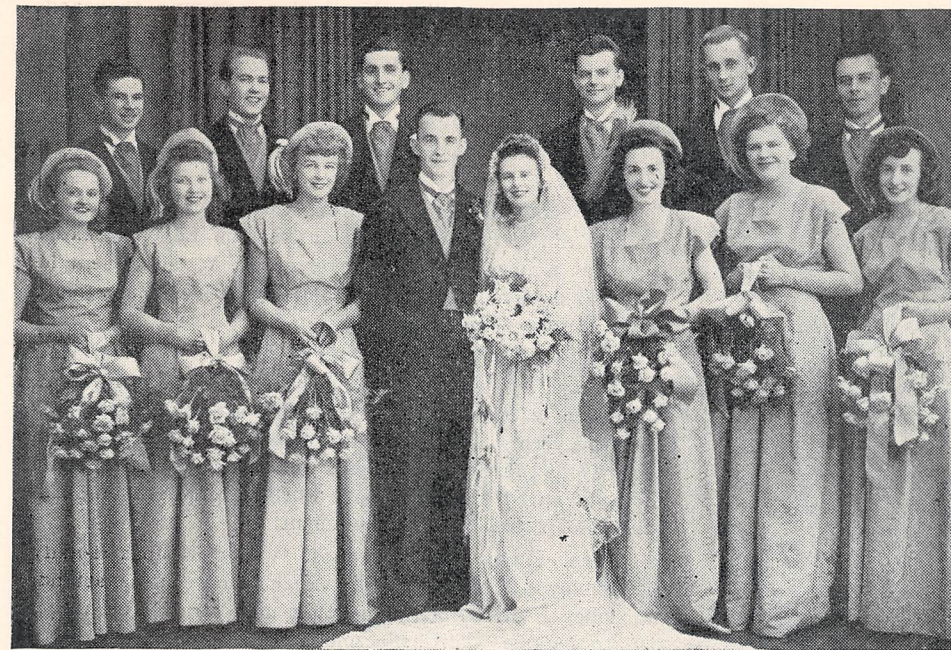
Jimmy Graham, youthful folk dance leader and son of the noted folk dance leader Chester "Batt" Graham, arrived in France during the early part of September. He will serve there for 18 months with the American Friends Service Committee in a training center for Spanish refugees in Toulouse, France. Previously, Jimmy, a product of the Ashland Folk School, spent a summer in a Friends Work Camp in Puerto Rico where he mastered the Spanish language. He was in the CPS for 32 months which included a 15 month semi-starvation experiment. For five months he traveled to Poland on cattle boats delivering cattle to that war-torn country. In January 1947 he was graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a major in International Relations and soon afterwards joined Lynn Rohrbough in Delaware, Ohio, the Co-op Recreation Service Center.

WEDDING BELLS

On September 20th, Raymand Lovick was married to Helen Valentine at the Lithuanian church of St. George. Raymand, who was graduated from the Morgan Park Military School and Central YMCA College, and who served in the armed forces for 4½ years, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lovick. The Lovicks, VILTITE readers, are well known among the Chicago Lithuanians, being one of the first among the city's Lithuanian florists and successful business people.

The bride is also a daughter of a successful Lithuanian business family and was graduated from De Paul University. To the newly-weds VILTIS extends its sincerest wishes for a happy wedded life.

Miss Mary Schimiek, from Chicago, and Mr. Lawrence Schmidt, from Dickinson, N. Dakota, were united in marriage on October third at St. Andrews Catholic Church. Lawrence, a former Navy man, was graduated from Coyne Electrical Engineering School in Chicago and met Mary while studying here. Now he plans to make his home in Chicago. Mr. & Mrs. Peter Schmidt, parents of the bridegroom, arrived from Dickinson to attend their sons' wedding. Heartiest congratulations to the newly weds.



Left to Right
Top Row

Benedict Yokubynas
John Grubē
Frank Hodey
Stanley Matus
Fred Kupitis
Joseph Bernatt

Bottom Row

Jenny Grinsky
Wanda Dervin
Helen Kramer
Vince van Vlymen
Adella van Vlymen
Constance van Vlymen
Alma Beinoris
Peggy van Vlymen

(Bison Studio Photo)

TORONTO LITHUANIAN GIRLS WED

Helen Kramer

AUGUST 30th.... Six bridesmaids attended Adella Valerie Matus, Reg. N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Matus, on her wedding day when she was married to Vincent van Vlymen in St. John's Lithuanian Church by Rev. Father V. McGivny. In a floral setting of gladioli Frank Micellie played the wedding music and Mrs. M. Uzemeck was soloist. Miss Matus is a graduate of St. Michael's Hospital and are graduates of the University of Toronto.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore white slipper satin with her long veil held by a halo of baby calla lilies and carried a shower bouquet of Joanna Hill roses and bouvardia. Her attendant, Miss Constance van Vlymen, maid of honor, and Misses Peggy van Vlymen, Jenny Grinsky, Helen Kramer, Wanda Dervin and Alma Beinoris, bridesmaids, were gowned alike, Miss van Vlymen, in American Beauty moire taffeta and the others in a lime green moire taffeta with matching hats and carrying spray bouquets of Briarcliffe roses. The best man was Stanley Matus and the ushers were Joseph Bernatt, Benedict Yokubynas, Frank Hodey, John Grubē and Fred Kupitis.

For the reception in St. St. John's Hall the bride's mother received wearing silver grey crepe, assisted by the groom's mother in mocha crepe, both with orchid corsages.

Lithuanian consul, Col. Grant-Suttie who is vacationing at his country home on Niagara-on-the-Lake was present as well as out-of-town guests from Simcoe, Delhi, Port Colborne, Ontario and Chicago, Illinois.

For their honeymoon in Ste. Agathe, Quebec the bride travelled in a brown wool suit with orchid corsage. The couple will live in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Matus on this happy occasion were also celebrating their 25th Anniversary.

SEPTEMBER 6th.... Rev. G. R. Kitching officiated at the marriage of Helen Anne Massey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Massey, to Joseph John Gelleny, of Welland in Central United Church, Weston. Morris Baker played wedding music, Isobel Calhoun sang. The bride

wore a gown of white satin with peplum skirt falling into a long train. The bodice was inset with lace and a headdress of white beaded lilies held her long veil. She carried white roses. Ada Barton was maid of honor, with Rose Gelleny and Emily Massey, bridesmaids, and Marie Massey, flower girl. Miss Barton was in crimson crepe, and the bridesmaids and flower girl in turquoise crepe, with picture hats in same colour and same material as their gowns. They carried cascades of roses. Henry Toews was best man. At the Old Mill the bride's mother received in a robin's egg blue gown, with corsage of red roses. For the wedding trip to Northern Ontario, the bride travelled in a light blue suit, with navy accents and a navy hat. Out-of-town guest were from Gary and Fort Wayne, Indiana, Brooklyn, N. Y., Boston, Mass., and Montreal, Canada.

Mrs. Gelleny formerly worked for the British Embassy in Washington and Mr. Gelleny, a graduate in Chemical Engineering from Indiana Tech are both looking forward to living in Chicago where Mr. Gelleny will be studying Business Administration at Northwestern University.

Misses Isabelle Grubē, Jean Sevickas and Renee Pozaro were in New York for the RIMIDIS-KRAUCIUNAS wedding on Saturday, September 7th, also spent a few days sight seeing.

LITHUANIAN-CANADIAN CONSUL HONORED

Hon. L. G. P. Grant-Suttie, distinguished citizen of Toronto and Consul-General for the Lithuanian government for the past ten years, was feted with a gala banquet on October 4th at the Lithuanian Church Hall in commemoration of his service as a consul. Tho the consul is not of Lithuanian extraction he has displayed great love for the Lithuanian people. Among the many guests who arrived to express their appreciation for his service, was also Dr. Petras Daužvardis, Lithuanian consul in Chicago. Many other distinguished guests were present. VILTIS also extends its Ilgiausiu Metų to Hon. Grant-Suttie.

The average country cottage is five room and a path.